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2. Geographic Orientation: Easter	n Shore	
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Anderson Mill House, WI-68
Salisbury, Wicomico County, Maryland

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⁶ Wicomico County Inventory, WB 3/433, 7 October 1875.

⁷ Wicomico County Land Record, FMS 7/145, 28 February 1891.

⁸ Wicomico County Land Record, JTT 27/332, 1 January 1900.

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Anderson Mill House

Salisbury vicinity, Wicomico County, Maryland

Chain of title

Map 37, Parcel 105

Rilda S. McIntyre 27108 Pemberton Drive Salisbury, Maryland 21801

527/496

Robert D. Weir

Betty G. Weir

to

11/14/1961

Howard J. McIntyre

Rilda S. McIntyre

1.6 acres

JWTS 334/462

William T. Mumford

to

8/28/1951

Robert D. Weir

Betty G. Weir

JWTS 317/399

Richard H. Hodgson

to

3/30/1950

William T. Mumford

Muriel M. Mumford

JWTS 316/58

Fred S. Allbro, et al.

to

3/15/1944

Richard H. Hodgson

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Anderson Mill House

Salisbury vicinity, Wicomico County, Maryland

Chain of title continued

IDT 161/105 Beulah Livingston

to

2/1/1930 Fred S. Albro and wife

Lydia Mae Stewart

30 acres

IDT 161/90 Richard Hodgson, Assignee

to

1/30/1930 Beulah Livingston

Whereas by public sale, 5/18/1929, as a result of a defaulted mortgage from Joseph W. Cannon and Emma L. Cannon to Annie G. Cannon, 2/7/1921,

JCK 122/113

JCK 121/421 Annie G. Cannon, unmarried

to

2/7/1921 Joseph W. Cannon

\$3,500 50 acres

JCK 117/77 Anna Cora Beebe, Lucy E. Beebe

Myrtle W. and Medford Humphreys, et al.

to

1/2/1920 Annie G. Cannon

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Anderson Mill House
Solishum visinity, Wicomics County, Manuford

Salisbury vicinity, Wicomico County, Maryland

Chain of title continued

LJG 1/369 Last Will and Testament of

Bela Beebe, Macomb County, Michigan

to

Written 6/5/1905 Proved 2/14/1911 Anna Cora Beebe Lucy E. Beebe Bertha Hall

EAT 56/211

George Grace Estella Grace

to

9/27/1907

Bela Beebe

\$3,250 91 ½ acres

56/209

Thomas W. Clark

May Clark

to

9/27/1907

George Grace 90 ½ acres

EAT 39/229

Charles W. Layfield L. Georgia Layfield

to

3/2/1904

Thomas W. Clark

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Anderson Mill House
Salisbury vicinity
Chain of title continued

JTT 27/332

James E. Ellegood, trustee

to

1/6/1900

Charles W. Layfield \$1070 Public Sale 12/21/1899 per a mortgage from Paul Anderson to the Salisbury Building and Loan Association, 2/28/1898, JTT 20/418

No. 1223 in Chancery

FMS 7/145

Henry W. Anderson Emily C. Anderson

to

2/28/1891

Paul Anderson

\$2,000 90 ½ acres as laid out my surveyor James

K. Disharoon, 2/6/1891

Somerset County Marriage License

Henry W. Anderson and Martha J. W. Price

January 10, 1860

Wicomico County Estate Record Opened 9/29/1875 Administration Account for Isaac Anderson

Henry W. Anderson and Annie M. E. Anderson,

Executors

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Wicomico County	Inventory of	Isaac Anderson
Inventory	-	
WB 3/433		

Probated	Partial listing "ten thousand feet round timber in mill race"	\$40.00
	150 shingles	1.05
10/7/1875	1 lighter	30.00
	Corn in field on home farm-130 bushels	650.00
	Cabbage in gardin	3.00
	Corn in high banks field-70 bushels	35.00
	50 cords of pine wood at \$2.50 per cord	125.00
	30 cords of pine wood \$1.50	45.00
	Sider Mill & fixtures	5.00
	600 feet of plank 10 feet long	6.00
	1400 ft. of inch and a quarter boards	28.00
	400 ft. of studding	2.80
	3000 ft. inch boards	27.50
	2500 feet three quarter boards	17.50
	Corn at Rider farm	62.50

Somerset County Land Record LW 6/124

Thomas Mitchell and Sarah Mitchell

Margaret W. Humphreys

to

2/24/1859

Isaac Anderson Andrew W. Anderson Levin J. Pollitt

...a certain lot of ground situated in Somerset County lying on the north side of the county road leading from Salisbury to Quantico...the said lot of ground to contain one quarter of an acre of land...the said lot is hereby conveyed for the purpose of building a school house for school purposes....

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Anderson Mill House

Salisbury vicinity, Wicomico County, Maryland

Chain of title continued

Somerset County Land Record LW 3/466

William H. Rider Margaret A. Rider

to

1/6/1855 Isaac Anderson

\$11,250.00

Somerset County Land Record LW 1/229

William Hitch and Sarah his wife, and

Joseph J. Speed, trustee of William Hitch, insolvent

to

3/23/1852 Isaac Anderson

\$2,000 "The High Banks Farm" 300 acres

Somerset County Land Record

LW 4/483 Mary Ellen Rider

to

10/15/1852 Isaac Anderson

\$3,750 undivided 4th part of all those tracts of parcels of land lying in Somerset County

"The Rockawalkin Farm"

...north side of Wicomico River which was devised by a certain Caleb Ross late of the State of Delaware by his last will and testament dated 5 October 1842...

WI-68 Anderson Mill House Salisbury vicinity, Wicomico County, Maryland

Chain of title continued

Somerset County Land Record WP 5/67

Henry Newman

to

2/13/1850

Isaac Anderson

\$3,500 250 acres "Calcutta"

Somerset County Land Record WP 3/73

James Anderson (Estate by trustee Levin Handy, late of

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Somerset County, Maryland)

to

6/6/1848

Isaac Anderson

"Poor Quarter," "Redishes Lot," "Gillises \$1,039.65 Meadow," "Layton's Discovery"

Whereas by a decree of Court of Chancery 21 August 1832 a certain Ephraim K. Wilson was appointed a trustee and authorized and empowered to sell and dispose of certain real estate of the said James Anderson that in pursuance of the said decree the said Ephraim K. Wilson did on 30 October 1832 sell to Isaac Anderson....and whereas the said Ephraim K. Wilson hath since departed this life the said trust incomplete and unfinished...

WI-68 Anderson Mill House Salisbury vicinity, Wicomico County, Maryland

Chain of title continued

Somerset County Land Record

George Maddox and Elizabeth Byrd, Executors of the Last Will and Testament of Thomas Byrd

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to

7/16/1829

Isaac Anderson, Sr., deceased by his last will and testament 11 October 1821 (Lizey Anderson, Isaac Anderson, Andrew W. Anderson, William M. S. Anderson, Joshua Anderson, John J. Anderson)

91 ½ acres "Partner's Choice" laying in the upper end of Wrockawalking

Map 37, Parcel 240

1429/1

Thelma L. Eure

to

2/8/1995

Robert K. Twilley

27143 Pemberton Drive

3.18 acres

JWTS 546/469

Charles H. McBeth

Eleanor McBeth

to

7/6/1962

Parrish Stephen Eure

JWTS 452/97

John A. Hall

to

5/1/1958

Charles H. McBeth

JWTS 342/50

William H. Hutchings

Pearl I. Hutchings

to

6/27/1952

John A. Hali

Joan T. Hall

JWS 222/435

Claude C. Brown

Hester M. Brown

to

3/8/1938

William H. Hutchings

"Anderson Mill Property"

IDT 206/77

Gardener T. White

Edna White

to

10/16/1937

Claude C. Brown

Hester M. Brown

IDT 158/380

Charles L. Tingle

to

5/23/1929

Gardener T. White

JCK 150/575

Walter R. Holloway

to

10/31/1927

Charles L. Tingle Margaret L. Tingle

21 acres

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JCK 150/571

Charles L. Tingle

to

10/29/1927

Walter D. Holloway

JCK 134/292

Samuel B. Tingle

to

5/3/1924

Charles L. Tingle

EAT 98/503

Ella L. Mitchell

to

1/1/1917

Samuel B. Tingle

21 acres including "mill privileges"

EAT 88/399

Heirs of the late Francis M. Mitchell (Thomas H. Mitchell and Sallie M. Mitchell, Joseph Mitchell and Sarah E. Mitchell, C. Ellen Anderson, widow, Elizabeth A. Melson and James S. Melson, Nettie B. Johnson and Samuel Q. Johnson, Ernest C.

Mitchell and Mary Mitchell)

to

7/1/1913

Ella L. Mitchell

1st Item

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EAT 76/268

Thomas W. H. White Henrietta M. White

to

8/6/1911

Frank M. Mitchell

"Anderson Mills" mentions saw mill race Survey and plat made by P. S. Shockley, 12/3/1902, filed in Chancery Case 1406, EAT 13/21

Interrogation: Question No. 6

What real estate if any did said Henry W. Anderson own at time of his death where situated and what is its value?

He owned a lot of land in Salisbury District, Wicomico County, Maryland, about 5 miles from Salisbury consisting of a home farm on the north side of the Wicomico River and west side of Mill Creek adjoining the lands of Charles W. Layfield and Isaac Anderson, containing about 400 acres of land worth about \$5,000; also a mill adjoining the first mentioned tract of land known as the Rockawalking or Anderson Mill with about 24 acres of land worth about \$1,000, also a tract of land lying on the east side of the mill pond and adjoining the land of A. L. Williams, A. S. Taylor, and others

JTT 37/304

E. Stanley Toadvine and Jay Williams, trustee and James E. Ellegood, attorney

to

4/24/1903

Thomas W. H. White

Whereas by virtue of a mortgage made by Paul Anderson and wife to Salisbury Permanent Building and Loan Assoc. JTT 20/48

Known as the Anderson Grist and Carding Mills

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FMS 7/147

Henry W. Anderson

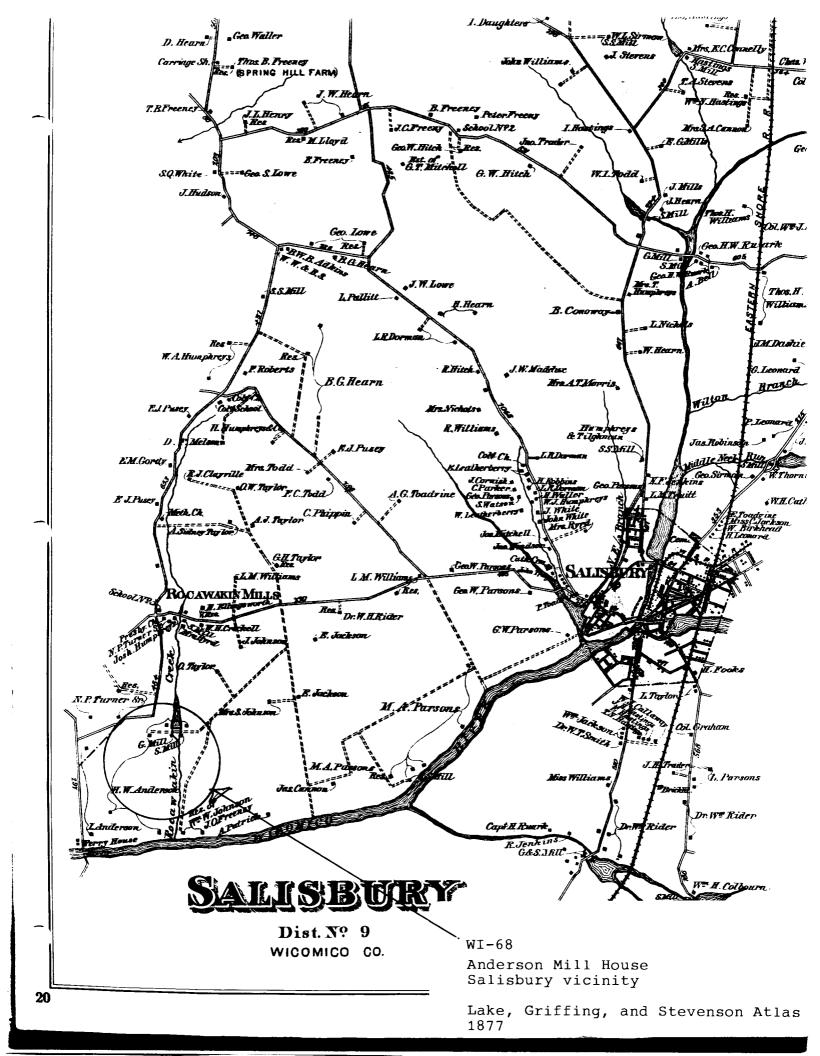
Emily C. Anderson

to

2/28/1891

Paul Anderson

½ undivided interest 24 acres



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MARYLAND INVENTORY OF Maryland Historical Trust HISTORIC PERSONNEL State Historic Sites Inventory Form

Survey No. WI-68

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historic	Anderson Mill	House		
and/or common				
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street & number	27108 Pemberto	n Drive		not for publication
city, town	Salisbury	_X_ vicinity of	congressional district	First
state	Maryland	county	Wicomico	
3. Clas	sification			
Category districtX building(s) structure site object	Ownership public private both Public Acquisition in process being considered not applicable	Status occupied unoccupied work in progress Accessible yes: restricted yes: unrestricted no	Present Use agriculture commercial educational entertainment government industrial military	museum park _X_ private residence religious scientific transportation other:
4. Own	er of Prope	rty (give names an	nd mailing addresses	s of <u>all</u> owners)
name	Rilda S. McInt	yre		
street & number	27108 Pemberto	n Drive	telephone no).:
city, town	Salisbury	state	and zip code MD	21801
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courthouse, regis	stry of deeds, etc. W	icomico County C	Ma lerk of Court	p 37, P. 105 liber 527
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Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

The Anderson mill house, located at 27108 Pemberton Drive, is situated on the west side of the old Anderson mill pond west of Salisbury, Wicomico County, Maryland. The two-story, three-part frame dwelling faces east with the principal gable roof oriented on a north/south axis.

Description

Estimated to date around 1830-40, the three-part frame dwelling was built in a stepped or "telescope" form with a two-story, side hall/parlor main block and a story-and-a-half dining room/kitchen wing. Attached to the back of the story-and-a-half service wing is a hyphen and rear kitchen now converted to a small den. Supported on a minimal brick foundation, the exterior is sheathed with a combination of beaded and plain weatherboards, and the medium to steeply pitched roofs are covered with asphalt shingles.

The south (principal) facade is two-part elevation with the two-story, three-bay wall of the main block juxtaposed next to the story-and-a-half, three-bay service wing. The main block is defined on the first floor by a side entrance and a pair of six-over-six sash windows that light the first floor. The front door is a replacement. The second floor is illuminated by three six-over-six sash windows. Each window and door opening is framed by a simple square-edged backband. Trimming the base of the roof is a boxed cornice accented with a simple Greek Revival crown molding. The beaded weatherboards that sheath the house are continuous between sections. The dining room and kitchen wing is defined by an uneven fenestration of three six-over-six sash windows. Marking the roof is a pair of large double-width gable roofed dormers added around 1940.

The east gable end of the two-story side hall/parlor house is dominated by an exterior common bond brick chimney featuring corbelled shoulders at the second story level. Small two-over-two sash windows light the attic. The gable end is finished with a plain bargeboard.

The rear wall of the main block is defined by an asymmetrical fenestration of six-over-six sash windows. A single double-width dormer pierces the roof of the dining room wing. Attached to the back of the kitchen is a single-story hyphen and kitchen wing that was built on a perpendicular axis to the rest of the house. This section was reworked during the 1960s as a bathroom and den. A sliding glass door was added to the east side and a rebuilt chimney stack is located on the north gable end. The exterior was resheathed with plain weatherboard siding.

The interior has been remodeled several times over the years. Knotty pine paneling was installed in the parlor and dining room. A Federal style staircase remains in the side hall. Square cross-section newel posts and stick balusters support a circular profile handrail. Beaded board and batten doors survive in several locations on the first and second floors. A late Federal style mantel remains in the second floor bedroom. A series of beaded-edge tie beams are the principal original feature surviving in the back kitchen that now serves as a den.

Across the road and on the other side of Rockawalkin Creek are a few remnant timbers of the Anderson mill.

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Significance

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9. Major Bibliographical References

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